

ABSTRACT

5 A gateway device is disclosed which processes only
really necessary information for gatewaying and thereby
prevents unnecessary increases in communication traffic
on a communication bus to which data is sent through the
gatewaying. When it is judged that the contents of
received data concern a command that does not need
gatewaying, the processing for gatewaying is inhibited.
10 When it is judged that the contents of the received data
show information that should be processed for gatewaying
only when there is a change in the contents, the contents
are compared with the latest contents of the same kind of
information stored in a memory, to determine whether
15 there is a change in the contents, and the processing for
gatewaying is inhibited when it is determined that there
is no change.

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